

Census Bureau, Commerce

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§ 30.55 Confidential information, import entries, and withdrawals.

The contents of the statistical copies of import entries and withdrawals on file with the Census Bureau are treated as confidential and will not be released without authorization by CBP, in accordance with 19 CFR 103.5 relating to the copies on file in CBP offices. The importer or import broker must provide the Census Bureau with information or documentation necessary to verify the accuracy or resolve problems regarding the reported import transaction.

(a) The basic responsibility for obtaining and providing the information required by the general statistical headnotes of the HTSUSA rests with the person filing the import entry. This is provided for in section 484(a) of the Tariff Act, 19 CFR 141.61(e) of CBP regulations, and § 30.50 of this subpart. CBP Regulations 19 CFR 141.61(a) specify that the entry summary data clearly set forth all information required.

(b) 19 CFR 141.61(e) of CBP regulations provides that penalty procedures relating to erroneous statistical information shall not be invoked against any person who attempts to comply with the statistical requirements of the General Statistical Notes of the HTSUSA. However, in those instances where there is evidence that statistical suffixes are misstated to avoid quota action, or a misstatement of facts is made to avoid import controls or restrictions related to specific commodities, the importer or its licensed broker should be aware that the appropriate actions will be taken under 19 U.S.C. 1592, as amended.

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Subpart G—General Administrative Provisions

§ 30.60 Confidentiality of Electronic Export Information.

(a) *Confidential status.* The EEI collected pursuant to this Part is confidential, to be used solely for official purposes as authorized by the Secretary of Commerce. The collection of EEI by the Department of Commerce

has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The information collected is used by the Census Bureau for statistical purposes only and by the BIS for export control purposes. In addition, EEI is used by other federal government agencies, such as the Department of State, CBP, and ICE for export control and other federal government agencies such as the Bureau of Economic Analysis, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and Bureau of Transportation Statistics for statistical purposes. Except as provided for in paragraph (e) of this section, information collected pursuant to this Part shall not be disclosed to anyone by any officer, employee, contractor, agent of the federal government or other parties with access to the EEI other than to the USPPI, or the authorized agent of the USPPI or the transporting carrier. Such disclosure shall be limited to that information provided by each party pursuant to this Part.

(b) *Supplying EEI for official purposes.*

(1) The EEI may be supplied to federal agencies for official purposes, defined to include, but not limited to:

(i) Verification and investigation of export shipments, including penalty assessments, for export control and compliance purposes,

(ii) Providing proof of export; and

(iii) Statistical purposes;

(iv) Circumstances to be determined in the national interest pursuant to 13 U.S.C., § 301(g) and paragraph (e) of this section.

(2) The EEI may be supplied to the USPPI, or authorized agents of USPPI and carriers for compliance and audit purposes. Such disclosure shall be limited to that information provided to the AES by each party.

(c) *Supplying EEI for nonofficial purposes.* The official report of the EEI submitted to the United States Government shall not be disclosed by the USPPI, or the authorized agent, or representative of the USPPI for “nonofficial purposes,” either in whole or in part, or in any form including but not limited to electronic transmission, paper printout, or certified reproduction. “Nonofficial purposes” are defined to include but not limited to use of the official EEI: